

What is claimed is:

1. (Currently Amended) A presentation apparatus for biasing a document into contact with a surface, the presentation apparatus comprising:

a base member adapted to be disposed above the surface;

a first spring arm extending from said base member; and

a contact member including a bottom surface having an arcuate portion and extending vertically from said first spring arm;

wherein said first spring arm urges said contact member into contact with the surface for ensuring flat contact between the document and the surface as the document passes therebetween.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The presentation apparatus of claim [2]1, wherein said arcuate portion includes an apex adapted to be urged against the surface by said first spring arm.

4. (Original) The presentation apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a second spring arm extending from said base member and interconnected with said contact member.

5. (Currently Amended) A scanning unit of an image-scanning device used to scan a document, the scanning unit comprising:

a contact image sensor having a scanning surface;

a presentation apparatus disposed above said scanning surface, said presentation apparatus

including:

a base member;

a first spring arm extending from said base member; and

a contact member including a bottom surface having an arcuate portion and

extending vertically from said first spring arm;

wherein said first spring arm urges said contact member toward said scanning surface for ensuring flat contact between the document and the scanning surface as the document passes therebetween.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) The scanning unit of claim [6]5, wherein said arcuate portion provides an attack angle for enabling smooth reception of the document between said contact member and said scanning surface.

8. (Currently Amended) The scanning unit of claim [6]5, wherein said arcuate portion includes an apex arranged to be urged toward the surface.

9. (Original) The scanning unit of claim 5, further comprising a second spring arm extending from said base member and interconnected with said contact member.

10. (Currently Amended) An image-scanning device for scanning a document, the image-scanning device comprising:

a scanning unit adapted to slidably receive the document therethrough, said scanning unit including:

a contact image sensor having a scanning surface;

a presentation apparatus disposed above said scanning surface, said presentation apparatus including:

a base member;

a first spring arm extending from said base member; and

a contact member including a bottom surface having an arcuate portion and
extending vertically from said first spring arm;
a drive assembly for driving the document through said scanning unit;
wherein said first spring arm urges said contact member toward said scanning surface for
ensuring flat contact between the document and the scanning surface as the document passes
therebetween.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) The image-scanning device of claim [11]10, wherein said arcuate portion
provides an attack angle for enabling smooth reception of the document between said contact member
and said scanning surface.

13. (Currently Amended) The image-scanning device of claim [11]10, wherein said arcuate portion
includes an apex contacting the surface.

14. (Original) The image-scanning device of claim 10, further comprising a second spring arm
extending from said base member and interconnected with said contact member.

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